

CHÂTEAU CHEVAL BLANC

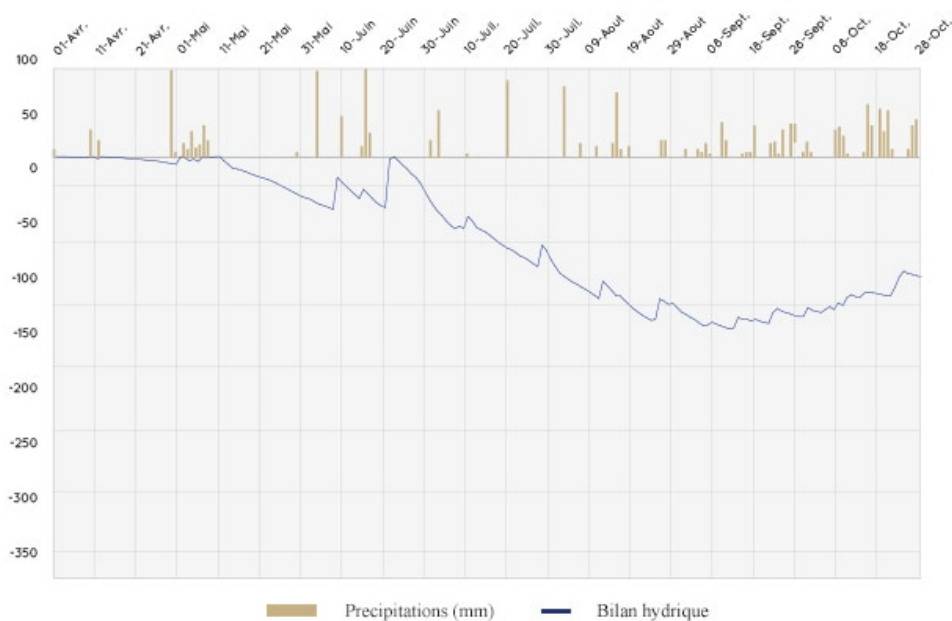


1952 was a very fine vintage thanks to hot, sunny weather conducive to an early harvest. The wine is therefore well-balanced and extremely elegant.

WATER BALANCE

In order to grow well, vines need water stress to set in slowly so that the grapes will ripen well and become concentrated. A few very rainy days in June prevented this from happening. However, water stress did take place starting in August (a month with little rain) and increased as time went on, accompanied by relatively warm temperatures.

1952 WATER BALANCE



GROWING SEASON

	Begin	End
1952 harvest dates	September, 15th	September, 29th
Average harvest dates: 1946-2014	September, 24th	October, 8th

RIPENING AND YIELDS

Thanks to this fine summer weather, the harvest was early, and the grapes were picked under clear blue skies. The average yield was 31 hectolitres per hectare. Fermentation went smoothly, which prompted Madame Fourcaud-Laussac said that 1952 was « a child easy to raise ».

The degree of alcohol is 12.5°.

1952 yield (hl/ha)	Average yield: 1946 to 2014
31.2	33.9